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In re Application of : )

Monika JOHANNSEN )

Serial No.: 09/335,022 )

Filed: June 17, 1999 )

For: **PROCESS FOR PRODUCING  
VITAMIN D<sub>3</sub> AND PREVITAMIN D<sub>3</sub>** )

Examiner: S. Qazi

Art Unit: 1616

New York, New York  
January 21, 2003

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Box Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed October 21, 2002, which set a three-month shortened statutory period for response. Accordingly, this response is filed timely upon mailing, with an executed certificate of mailing, on or before January 21, 2003. 37 CFR § 1.8. No fee is believed to be due. If it is determined that a fee is due, please charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 02-4467. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.